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Correspondents' Contest.

Beginning Dec. 1st the Itemizer began a four months correspondents' contest on the same lines as heretofore, except the prizes will be in cash, instead of other articles, that method seeming to suit best all concerned. The most regular and most newsy correspondent during that time will receive $10, the second $5, the third $2.50 and the next two $1 each. The contest will close March 30st and be immediately followed by another of four months duration commencing on that date.

FALLS CITY

Freem Robinson is down from his farm at Halsey, spending a few days with relatives and friends.

The Woodmen of the World are getting up a large class for the big initiation to be held here on the 28th of the month. The state organizer will be here at that time and a fine time will be had. This is a young man's order, and is rapidly growing, and now is a good time for the young men to come in.

The Rebekahs are making preparations for the Assembly to be held in Falls City on the 21st. The district president will be here and many members from other lodges, and Falls City will show them the true fraternal hospitality for which our city is noted.

S. H. Tetherow and wife returned last week from several days' visit with relatives in Portland.

George Brown, who recently sold his farm here, has gone to Salem to visit. He will soon return and make another buy.

Jess Beezley came in Thursday last for one day's stay. While here he was taken in charge by the Knights of Pythias and instructed in the lessons of that order.

All Falls City is rejoicing in the good news that the Hawley Bill for the relief of honest settlers in the basin had passed both houses of congress. This is as it should be, and now the boys will get their rights. It means a great deal to Falls City and Polk county.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cole has come in from eastern Oregon and will make his home here.

Improvements on a large scale are already lined out for Falls City this spring, improvements both public and private. John Olin, of Dallas, has started his cement work here, and there is lots more to follow. This will be the busiest season in the history of Falls City.

It looks strange to the people of Falls City, to see the mayor of a sleepy town Salem turn down a proposition that will in every way enhance property values, and tend to develop and build up the city. Salem always was just rubbing its eyes and getting awake while other towns were picking the plums. The Salem, Falls City & Western Railway made Falls City, and it will do as much for any other town it enters.

Thomas Edgar has the plans for a fine two story cement block building to replace the frame building recently destroyed by fire. This will be the first cement block building in this county, and will be a great improvement for our city. Mr. Edgar owns some first class property here and has always taken an interest in the building up of Falls City.

J. H. Flower was a Dallas visitor Monday, attending the session of Judge Galloway's court.

The infant child of Henry Brown, of Black Rock, died Sunday and was brought to Falls City Monday, and buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have the sympathy of the entire community in their loss.

UNSIGHTLY ERUPTION ON FACE AND HEAD

Afflicted for Months—Burned and Itched—Used Cuticura and He was Cured in Three Weeks—Not Even a Scar Left.

"As a grateful mother, I feel it my duty to thank you for the cure of my little son who was afflicted for about eight months with sores all over his head, back of his neck and nearly all his face. We tried all kinds of remedies without any relief. We even employed a good physician and I am sure he tried his very best to cure my poor suffering little boy. But, alas! Instead of getting better he went for the worse. His head was literally covered with scabs and ugly sores and his cries kept us awake throughout the long night. I had to keep his hands in gloves to prevent his scratching his head, as he was doubtless suffering from a burning and itching sensation, and was constantly trying to put his hands where it hurt.

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BUELL.

Very windy and cold for the last few days, but being sheltered by hills on both sides, the valley does not get the full fury of the storm, as does the country where nature has not provided protection as here.

Don't forget the basket social and play at the Woodman hall Saturday night.

We have just heard of the marriage of Clarence Butler, formerly of this place, to Miss Wenger, of Portland.

Several from here attended the club dance at Sheridan Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Maggina and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown Sunday.

Joe Parker and Claud Conlee were visitors on the creek Sunday.

Mr. Bray took his son, Chauncey, to Amity to see the doctor the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo Conlee have moved back to North Dallas to live.

Mr. and Mrs. McQuire visited with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown Sunday.

Ross Neeley has gone back to Willamina to live.

Don Fletcher has been home from Sheridan all of last week on account of the lagrippe.

Quite a number from here attended the basket social at Harmony last Friday evening.

The Misses Kopan and Pollow visited with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ames Sunday.

Byron Vaughin has been visiting with his cousin, Mrs. Herman Lenhard, the past week.

Miss Pollow made a business trip to Dallas Saturday.

We were all very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Harry Bartron, of Carlton and Mr. Bartron has the entire sympathy of all.

Steve Braley and family will soon move back to Perrydale, where he has a hop yard.

George Hills and Grant March were down from the mountains the latter part of the week.

There are several men cruising the railroad land here this week.

Several from here attended the sale on Salt Creek Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Harrington have taken a boy from the Orphans home at Portland to keep.

Lyle Jones was down from the mountains Sunday.

PERRYDALE.

The Perrydale concert band is now practicing twice a week and advancing very rapidly for beginners.

Mrs. Chas. Bratcher and little daughter visited Saturday with friends at Briedwell.

Victor Williams, of Dallas, visited relatives here Friday and Saturday.

Don't forget the program and social next Friday evening.

Miss Adah Wallace Unruh, state president of the W. C. T. U., will speak here at the Christian church Tuesday evening, March 14th.

E. L. Rowland and family have leased and moved to the D. L. Keyt farm, known as the old Richardson place.

Robert and Gynella Mitchell, of Briedwell, were visitors at the Conner home Sunday.

Miss Norma Holman, after three weeks absence on account of sickness, returned Sunday to take charge of her school at Enterprise.

Orville Kurtz was kicked in the stomach by a horse recently and quite badly hurt but it is not thought to be serious.

Mrs. Clara Esson gave a talk at the Christian church Tuesday evening on bible school work.

J. A. Baxter started out among the people Monday as deputy assessor for this end of the county.

E. Enes has sold his blacksmith shop here to strangers from Portland.

John Duignan has bought the Boyer property, which was recently vacated by E. L. Rowland and family.

J. A. Baxter and wife visited relatives in Sheridan Saturday and Sunday.

Ernest Houck is very sick with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Flanery have been very poorly with lagrip.

Mrs. Bennett and family attended the funeral of her niece, Ethel Kimsey, in Dallas last Friday.

GILLIAM.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Y. Allen went to Oakdale Sunday to visit Mrs. Allen's sister, Mrs. Macomber and family.

Eugene Johnston went to Buena Vista on business last week.

Last Monday Mr. A. Brown passed here with four hundred head of sheep that he was taking from Salt Creek to the Peedee valley.

Mr. Elmer Bradley, of Falls City, is here visiting his brother, Byron Bradley and family.

B. Y. Allen bought a new buggy last week which he will use in making his tour of inspection of the orchards of Polk county.

Mr. Irish has just finished filling an order for oak posts for Mr. Oliver Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Billen went to Dallas Saturday to see a friend, who is reported dangerously sick at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Casey, who have spent the last three months traveling through different sections of California, Idaho and Oregon, are here visiting Mrs. Casey's brother, Mr. J. Hunt, and express themselves as better pleased with this place than any they have yet visited. They are looking for a location.

Mrs. Mahoney, accompanied by her daughter and her son, Tom, move their household effects to their new home near Corvallis last Wednesday. The men will remain here and continue the sawmill business for at least a couple of months.

Mrs. O. Lewis was down from Falls City last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hunt.

WEST SALEM.

Mrs. T. Acuff and Mrs. Farmer, of Eola, visited with Mrs. L. Beck and Mrs. R. Haviland last Wednesday

Mrs. J. T. Hunt visited at Popcorn Thursday and Friday.

Geo. Frazure took an automobile trip to Oregon City and back Saturday.

Elia Rhodes has rented the house just vacated by Mr. Fry and family.

Mr. Rainwater's new bungalow is not progressing very fast, as they did not work all last week and have only the sheeting on now.

Another new house was started last week in Kingwood Park. The foundation is done and is 28x52.

They have had four teams grading all last week and filling in low places in Kingwood Park.

The work on the new M. E. parsonage is progressing, with five or six men working most all of last week.

Professor Hare has quite a class of young folks in West Salem. He teaches the two Miss Spitzbarts, the three Miss Ruges, Olive Wood, Rex Gosser and Zela McLean, who take lessons on the piano.

Mr. James Wood has got up a two room house just to save rent until he can build a better one.

Mr. Severs has the mumps.

It is reported that Mr. Simonton has a new automobile.

Mr. L. Beck was taken quite ill Saturday and had to call Dr. Lee. He is much better at this writing.

There was no school for three days last week as the teacher, Mrs. Hamilton, has been sick with lagrip.

The two Mr. Cromley's and their sister, of Oak Grove, came down here to church Sunday evening to hear Rev. Stone and wife preach and said it paid them to come.

Mr. Simon's family have the mumps.

The third meeting of the Jennie Wren club was held at Esther Spitzbart's home. There were six present. They will meet every two weeks. The next meeting will be held at Zela McLean's.

Mrs Brook has been taking care of Mrs. Geo Frazure, who is now convalescent,

Chas. Spitzbart finished setting out 1100 prune trees Friday on his place west of here. His cherry trees have been out for two years and are now ready for grafting. He bought a fine new buggy Saturday.

Miss Etta Watters came down Saturday evening to spend Sunday with her friend, Miss Freda Spitzbart, and got the first ride in the new buggy.

Mr. Fry and his father-in-law, Mr. Brach and family moved to South Salem Saturday, after a very short stay among us. They bought a home there.

INDEPENDENCE.

Miss Rowena Sperling has returned from a visit with her sister, who is attending school in Forest Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Swan were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Shenefield this week.

J. S. Bohannon and Clyde Williams transacted business in Dallas one day last week.

S. E. Owen and Dick Gains, of St. Helens, visited with their families here this week.

Miss Opal McDevitt came down from Corvallis Friday for a short visit with relatives here.

Miss Margaret Pomeroy visited friend in Salem last week

Mr. and Mrs. Spone, of Portland, visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. C. A. Moore, last week.

Jessie Whiteaker, of Albany, visited relatives here last week.

Rube Dickinson and Will Mattison were Salem visitors Friday.

Mrs. O. Johnson has returned to Salem after a visit at the home of her brother, Dr. W. R. Allin.

Mrs. H. Chas. Dunsmore left Monday for a short visit with friends in Portland.

D. O. Taylor and wife spent part of last week in Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Craven are visiting in Corvallis this week.

Miss Bertha Bohannon left Friday for The Dalles where she has a position in a millinery store.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McDevitt, of Dallas, visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Conkey, over Sunday.

Mrs. W. R. Allin entertained the Whist club at her home Tuesday evening.

J. M. Stark, of Eugene, is visiting in this city this week.

Mrs. Nora Mattison returned Saturday from a short visit in Portland.

G. C. Long and Chester Henkle transacted business in Portland the first of the week.

ANTIOCH.

David Luckenbill is working at Falls City.

John Henderson made a trip to Summit Sunday.

Our school will start next Monday.

Jess Henderson was seen in these parts Friday and Saturday.

Miss Ada McDowell visited with Mrs. Chas. Jones Friday.

Ellen and Arthur Jones are visiting with their aunt, Mrs. Lester January, of Big Elk.

Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Chapman visited with Mrs. Mulkey Tuesday.

Hood Henderson returned to his home Monday from Alder where he has been working.

Miss Mozelle Pettit is going to teach the Antioch schoool at district No. 53. We are glad to get her back again.

Mr. and Mrs. Needham spent Sunday with Mrs. Mulkey.

BALLSTON.

Miss Nora Jones, of Buell, visited friends here Saturday and Sunday.

Isam Kenworthy has returned from Hood River.

The entertainment Friday night was well attended. A good program was rendered after which refreshments were served. Admission was charged and the proceeds will be applied on the minister's salary.

Miss Rhoda Conner, who is teaching at Hopewell, visited her parents here Saturday and Sunday.

Lynn Licks is in Portland on business.

Miss Olive Williams, our former primary teacher, has been visiting friends here.

Mrs. Lou Bosbert went to Astoria where her husband is working, Wednesday for a few day's visit.

G. W. Morgan went to Portland Monday in search of employment.

Grandma Birks has returned from a visit with Albany kindred.

C. A. Ball and family have moved up from Portland.

Mrs. N. E. Tufford returned to Portland Tuesday after a few days visit with with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Butler.

Mrs. Henry Buell, who has been helping take care of her father, Hathaway Yocom, returned to her home at Falls City Tuesday.

SALT CREEK.

J. H Foster and son, Edgar, attended the sale of J. H. Rose at Rickreall last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Martin made a business trip to Portland Thursday.

E. V. Ferguson, of Amity, visited his brother-in-law, J. E. Hill, last week.

Felix Comegys and his mother visited at Savery's last Sunday.

J. E. Hill and wife visited in Amity last Sunday.

Homer Foster and Ida Duignan, of Perrydale, visited at the home of the former's parents last week.

Little Orville Kurtz was kicked by a horse last Saturday and badly hurt, but is improving.

Little Zelma Woods, who has been quite sick the past week, is improving.

One of the Wright boys on the Parker place has gone to California, where he has a ranch.

Bernard Cook visited over Saturday and Sunday with his grandmother, Mrs. Schwartz.

Mrs. W. E. Martin and her brother, Noel Dickey, have gone into the chicken business.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cianfield and little daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Will Reddekopp spent Sunday at the home of Henry Clanfield.

SUNNYSLOPE.

Jesse Johnson made a business trip to Independence last Thursday.

Miss Lettie Fishback visited with Mrs. Verne Ogle, of near Independence, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Rake spent several days last week visiting in Salem.

Russel Fishback made a special trip to Portland last week.

James Goodman attended the Portwood sale at Airlie last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Diehl and Mr. and Mrs. Walker were Independence visitors Monday.

Miss Nella Shipley, who has been staying with her uncle, Dolph Farley, near Monroe, returned home Saturday.

ZENA-SPRING VALLEY.

Harold White returned from Salem Saturday and is staying at Fred Purvine's.

G. F. Felts, of Portland, was here last week looking after his orchard.

Miss Gladys Linnton, of Hillsboro, is visiting with Mrs. N. O. Bales.

Will and Donald Crawford were at Pratum Sunday.

G. H. Crawford was a business caller in Dallas Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Carrother has returned from the hospital at Salem, having recovered nicely from her recent operation.

Dave Jerman returned Friday from Silverton.

Lynn Purvine purchased a new buggy last week.

An enjoyable time was spent at the Lincoln hall Saturday evening, where the Lincoln Progress club entertained. A long supper and short speeches were the order of the evening. Among those who spoke were J. J. Stratton, who told of the work spent at the O. A. C. short course, and Professors Zinzer and O'Reilly.

The N. C. C. club met Saturday afternoon at the home of the Misses Cook.

PEEDEE.

Rex and Eva Womer went to Dallas last Wednesday.

Lem Howard, wife and children left for home Thursday.

Loren Burbank and were at Airlie Wednesday.

Harry Lacey was at Airlie last Thursday.

Mrs. John Burbank and Miss Inez Burbank visited the school Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sheythe went to Salem last week.

Eva Womer visited her sister, Mrs. Troy Turner, last week.

Mrs. Will Bush and Miss Elsie and the three little children visited Grandma Hastings over Sunday at Monmouth.

Arthur Dyer and Levi Turner are visiting their sister, Mrs. Frank Turner.

Frank Rowley went to near Lewisville for hay Friday.

BUENA VISTA.

W. S. McClain was called to Salem on business last Friday.

Charles McClain and sister, Mrs. M. N. Prather, were guests of Martin Conger and family, at Suver, last Saturday.

Mrs. Wolfe, of Falls City, came here last Thursday and bought some nice chickens of Mrs. E. Harmon.

Mrs. Judith Snyder, of Vancouver, B. C., is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steele.

J. M. Prather was down from Corvallis Thursday having his farm surveyed, returning home Friday.

Ed. Harmon went to McMinnville, Sunday to help Mrs. A. Andersoh move to this place.

Willie Bevens spent Sunday visiting friends in Salem.

Miss Minnie Knighten has returned home after spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. Dickson, in Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Acocks, of Hopdale, spent Sunday with J. K. Neal and family.

Born last Tuesday, February 28th, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fisher, a 12-pound boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Hansen have returned to their home at Tillamook, after spending several months with their son, Paul, who is teaching here.

Mrs. A. Anderson and son, who left here last fall, have sold their farm near McMinnville, and have rented F. P. McClain's farm west of this place, and moved here Monday.

EOLA.

Harry Thacker, B. I. Ferguson and Ed. Mitty have sprayed their trees.

William Carpenter and family have moved to Eola again.

George Mitty has returned from California.

B. I. Ferguson has several jobs of grafting on hand.

Mrs. Belle Wolf was in Eola visiting Mrs. Gherke.

Harry Thacker and Tipp Acuff are cutting wood for Ike Yoakum.

Byron Brunk has cleared and is fencing some vacant lots of Mr. Holman's which he intends to plant to potatoes.

Mr. Holman has just planted a part of two blocks that lies south of the road to cherries.

Charley Vernon is pruning for T. W. Brunk.

Joe Schindler and family, of Salem, visited their relatives, the Holmans, Sunday.

Will Sheridan and family visited his relatives, the Fergusons, Sunday.

There was quite a crowd out to hear Rev. Stone Sunday.

Mr. Timmonds has had one of the streets plowed and will plant it in garden stuff mostly potatoes. He is ninety years old.

MONMOUTH NO. 1.

J. H. Ackerman and family are now settled in the Withrow residence on Main street.

Chauncey Mulkey and wife, of Dallas, visited in town Sunday.

Robert Steele returned from California Saturday, where he spent the winter.

Mr. and Miss Henderson, nephew and niece of Mrs. W. R. Graham, arrived from Michigan Tuesday.

Geo. Pickens, of Los Angeles, is here on a visit with his relatives, the Chases.

A family named Miller bought a new outfit of furniture and are now living in the Henderson house near the college.

Clarence Clodfelter and wife, of Jefferson, came Saturday to visit the parents of the latter, the Griffas.

Dr. H. A. Beauchamp and wife, of Stayton, came over in their automobile Sunday to visit the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hawley, who have been suffering with lagrip.

Don Bolter, of Parker, visited in town Sunday.

Olive Coulter, of Dallas, visited in town the last of the week.

OAKDALE.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sherwood spent last Sunday at Buena Vista.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hubbard have moved out to his father's place.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Card visited with his mother at Bridgeport last Sunday.

Ed Cochrane and son have been cleaning out the brush along the road by their place.

Road Supervisor Bartholomew brought the road scraper over this road last Thursday. The three teams used belonged to J. W. Robinson, Del Plaster, and Jim Sherwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Robinson and Miss Ethel Thompson visited with Roy Bird and family at Pioneer Sunday.

Miss Audrey Waymire, of Albany, with her little sister, Maxine, visited with J. W. Robinson and family Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Bird has been quite sick with lagrip.

Mr. T. J. Card has been under the weather lately.

We understand that Andrew Siefarth has sold his place here.

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MICHIGAN CITY.

Ed Loose and J. Olliver butchered last week.

George Patterson and Chas. Smith, of Butler, are visiting at the Smith home.

C. E. Hanna sold a 12 year old horse for $170 to a horse buyer last week.

The Wallace people have rebuilt the trough which conveys the water from spring to house.

C. E. Hanna and family spent Sunday with W. H. H. Dodge near the fair grounds.

Miss Jessie Simkins was through here Tuesday getting subscribers for the Statesman. She is working for a scholarship in the business college.

The Bearens met at the F. J. Woelk home Friday evening. After their usual devotional exercises a fine program was rendered. A lunch was then served which closed a happy evening.

Saturday being Elmer Smith's 19th birthday a party of young people surprised him that evening. A merry time was had followed by a delightful luncheon.

MONMOUTH NO. 2.

A law will be enforced by the city marshal that no children under 16 will be allowed on the streets after 8.

H. S. Portwood has sold his property near Airlie and will move here.

Mrs. Geo. Sullivan is getting along nicely after an operation at Salem.

W. J. Miller and family, of Wyoming, have taken up their residence north of the college building.

Dr. James Withycombe addressed the Monmouth dairyman Saturday, March 4th, at their regular meeting.

C. C. Mulkey, of Dallas, will soon take charge of the bakery here again.

The Monmouth high school girls met the Corvallis girls Friday evening, the score being 8 to 8.

L. W. Waller has moved to his old residence in the northern part of town.

Ex Marshal Coates is quite ill. The first touch of spring does not agree here.

John W Sickelsmith, Greensboro, Pa. has three children, and like most children they frequently take cold. "We have tried several kinds of cough medicine, he says, but have never found any yet that did them as much good as Chamberlain's Cough Remedy." For sale by all good dealers.

TEACHERS' MEETING.

The local teachers' institute held at Monmouth last Saturday was a success in every way, the attendance was the best and all that could be asked for. The work given by Prof. Livingston, of Forest Grove, and President J. H. Ackerman, of the Oregon State Normal, was very instructive to the teachers, and all received much good from this meeting.

The following program was carried out as it had been arranged by Superintendent H. C. Seymour: Arithmetic, President Ackerman; Conquering the Verb, Prof. Livingston; Class exercise by primary grades, Miss Effie Shore; Building the Child's Vocabulary, Prof. Livingston; address, Pres. Ackerman. The male quartet of the Monmouth high school gave several pleasing numbers during the general program.

Pres. Ackerman explained the new Certification law and outlined the future work of the State Normal.

The ladies of the Rebekah lodge of Monmouth served the visiting teachers with luncheon at the noon hour that was enjoyed by all. The Rebekahs know how to entertain.

The following program was given in the evening at the normal chapel: Vocal solo, Mrs. Clark; reading, Mrs. Parker; instrumental music, Miss Johnston; vocal duet, Miss McInturf and Miss Shore; reading, Miss Lucas; vocal solo, Miss Hughes; address, Searching for Diamonds, Prof. J. W. Livingston.

The attendance at this meeting was good as there was a house full at the evening lecture.

The following teachers were present: Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bidgood, Miss Mattie Lee, Hazel Bohannon, Mrs. Jessie Cromwell, Mabel Ellis, Iva Burton, J. B. Hatch, W. I. Ford, A. N. Arnold, Frank VanCamp, J. B. V. Butler, S. R. Skeels, Paul Hansen, Lucy Shinners, Margaret Shinners, Maud Simon, Lillian McVicker, Nola Coad, Vera Cosper, Mrs. Edith Plank, Ethel Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dunton, Anna Wood, Net ie McNeil, Cora Rossitter, Effie Shore, Elta Clark, Anna McCornick, L. E. Mills, Ruth Fugate, Mae Lynch, Lucy Hanley, Martha Grice, Osie Grice, Clara Pechin, Eliza Love, Meldora Jackson, A. J. Shipley, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Crowley, W. E Buell, Finnie Epley, June Seeley, Anna Bergman, Georgia Miller, W. A. Johnston, Elsie Keyt, Ruth Nunn, J. H. Ackerman, Supt. and Mrs. Seymour.

The next meeting will be held in Dallas on April 1st, when Prof. Ackerman will take up Arithmetic and Discipline. Prof. Livingston will also be present and will take up work similar to that which he has been doing in the other meetings, also will give a lecture at night.

Abandon Social Club.

Believing that business and pleasure cannot be pursued successfully together, the Independence Commercial club, at a call meeting held in the club room Tuesday evening, voted to abandon the social features of that body and work in the future wholly on business principles. The billiard tables belonging to the club will be sold and the money derived from such sales will be used to pay the indebtedness incurred by that body, which has been practically dormant for some time past. When this has been accomplished the old club will probably become a thing of the past. It is not the intention of the members to remain quiet on the subject of development. A new club will be organized, new by-laws adopted, and work will be pursued with renewed vigor. At present the spirit of progress is more in evidence in this city than it has been in years, and with the assistance of a good live commercial club, every interest should be carefully looked after. There is a great deal of work to be accomplished during the summer, and it is important that the representative business men of the city be represented in the new organization. When the call is sent out for volunteers, it is hoped that every man in business will respond and be identified with the new club.—Independence Enterprise.

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SPELLING CONTEST.

Following are the results of the spelling contest for rural schools which was held February 17th, nearly all the schools in the county taking part. We still have a few teachers who appear to think that the spelling contests are of no value, while those teachers who are doing the work are reporting much better spelling and a better interest in the work.

Fourth Grade

First place—Polk Station, Upper Salt Creek, Etna, Sunnyslope and Lone Star, 100 per cent.

Second place—Oak Point, 99½ per cent.

Third place—District 15, Mistletoe, 99 per cent.

Fifth Grade

First place—Etna, Lone Star, Cherry Grove, 100 per cent.

Second place—Polk Station, Powell Camp, Mistletoe, 98 per cent

Third place—McCoy, 97 per cent.

Sixth Grade

First place—Upper Salt Creek, Etna, 100 per cent.

Second place—Oak Point, 98 per cent.

Third place—Eola and Lincoly 94.

Seventh Grade

First place—Polk Station, Spring Valley, Etna, 100.

Second place—Upper Salt Creek, McCoy, 98 per cent.

Third place—Eola, Cherry Grove, 93.

Eight Grade

First place—District 15, Oak Point, 98.

Second place—Spring Valley, 97.

Third place—Harmony, 94

The following schools have received certificates of honor for having made 95 or more.

Fourth grade—Salt Creek, District 15, Polk Station, Oak Point, Elkins, Harmony, U. Salt Creek, Etna, Greenwood, Sunnyslope, Lone Star, McCoy, Cherry Grove, Mistletoe.

Fifth Grade—Polk Station, Etna, Lone Star, McCoy, Powell's Camp, Cherry Grove, Mistletoe.

Sixth Grade—Oak Point, U. Salt Creek, Etna.

Seventh Grade—Polk Station, Spring Valley U. Salt Creek, Etna, McCoy.

Eighth grade—District 15, Oak Point, Spring Valley.

We ask that all who are interested in the spelling work and want to see the children of the day good spellers, please assist us in any way possible by encouraging the children in this work and also the teachers as much as possible

Yours very truly,
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Man Kicks at Dog; Falls

Wrath caused by canine almost results fatally: An ineffectual attempt by Harry Holmes to kick a dog Sunday afternoon nearly resulted in a fatality. Holmes was on the steel bridge crossing the Willamette river into Polk county, when a dog that was trotting by aroused his wrath, and with all his force he kicked at the animal. The dog was too quick for him, however, and Holmes slipped, falling with great force against a portion of the steel structural work, cutting a gash several inches long in the top of his scalp and he was rendered unconscious. He was taken to a hospital where he received medical treatment. He will survive. Holmes is employed as a lather and lives at the Florence hotel in Salem.

Going Some.

The Monmouth Real Estate company is being kept very busy listing and selling land. During the past week they have sold over 10,000 worth of farms to Washington and Eastern Oregon people. They have had for a customer the past few days a wealthy woman from Montana who proposes to invest a large sum of money in Polk county through this company. The man from Washington who purchased 168 acres will move here in ten days and expects to bring with him a number of his neighbors who will also buy farms here. A party from South Dakota has been in correspondence with this company. They will want four farms. There is hardly a mail that does not bring inquiries concerning investments in Polk county.—Monmouth Herald.

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